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Previous References.

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Later references.

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(10-11-17-19)

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" 17 35 (1-2)

Geol 104 35 (1-2)

Serial Nos. Nil

Part B for [redacted]

SUBJECT

Grant of mining leases to messrs Oakley

Diwesi results

Dec 1938 3.26 5.25

To

Director of Geology

Surveys sanction to the

G. R. S. III—3]

ROUTINE NOTES.

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc.; not intended for permanent record.]

Please give the Required Number

7388 & 3 4.25

The file is sent herewith 8/4/25

Secl. 108-23 re application from Messrs Oakley Bureaux etc was sent to the Secretary on 3.4.25 vide D.O. No. 4016-23 (D.O. dated No. 7388 & 3.4.25) Please return the same as it is wanted for future letter & Member ~~as per~~ in connection with a similar recommendation from the Govt. of Secl in re the grant of a mining lease to Messrs. V. Ramachandra Mandaliar

V Subramanya
14.4.25 Supdt. Tfc. Br. Secl

To
The Supdt D &
with compliments

N. B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips the notes must be clipped, or slips pasted on this form

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3+ From the Dir of Geology
no. 1589 dt 22.3.24

Forwards copies of applications for mining leases from Messrs Oakley Duncan & Co. Ltd; over certain selected areas & regrets orders:-

1) References imposed by the Dir in para 1 are before the 2nd Council

1) With regard to Clarence block the Dir. says that the area selected for lease is only 75 acres in extent, i.e. within the area proposed in Schedule B and recommends the grant of a mining lease over the block under the existing ordinary rules without special conditions imposed in recent order (no I.C. 574/6-57) Geol. 73-23-1 dt 26.2.24)

Lease no. 605/5-76

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2) With regard to Manganese block the Dir states that the applicants have not been definite in asking for a selected area

Lease no 606 577

(2) that alternatives are suggested

P.W.D. (i & iv)

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0 (3) that under clause 17 (Schedule B) they are entitled to a mining lease over a block not exceeding ¼ Sq mile in extent,

(4) that they approach Govt. for a special request in cases of blocks C & D on the authority of Note to

0 Schedule B

(5) that in case Govt cannot go beyond the rules & the terms of the licence they may be granted lease over Survey No. 8 above

P. W. D. (Para 5, cl. 3)

(6) that their prayers, viz

a) permission to continue workings on the blocks until the leases are actually granted

(b) permission to remove within six months the stocks of the ore won on the area/prospected

& (c) for a declaration of their right to the ores removed from the block & dumped at the Rly. Station

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are reasonable under Rule 18 of the Rules (amended)

2) that although the rules enforcement be to extend the term, fresh orders are necessary in the present case

3) the question of the renewal of the term of these licences (Nos. 605/576 & 606/577) was once before Govt, but no favourable orders passed

Govt 48-23-2 M

4) Rebd for orders

20/3.4.24

4) This relates to Prospecting licences nos 605/576 & 606/577 that had been renewed to Messrs Oakley Duncan & Co The period expired on 8.3.1924 In view order of 9.1.24 (Flag M) Govt have declined to extend the period - while renewing also the Company was given to understand that no more renewals would be granted -

5) The P.C. to refer to the applications made for mining leases in these two areas

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6) Before the mining lease in the area covered by the Prospecting license No 605/576 applied for by Chinnaswami of Arsikere the applicant is entitled to a mining lease under clause 17(2)d under the members ruling. The application may therefore be granted as it is reported that all the Conditions are satisfied -

7) In this Connection the Director recommends that in granting the lease should be issued with such the Conditions imposed in the Govt order of the 26th Oct 1922 The only Condition relating to a mining lease within Forest area, is that a person getting a prospecting license for Chromite only have no right to a mining lease & all the other Conditions relate to Prospecting license for Chromite —

If a mining lease is granted for chromite over the area —— and it seems it could be granted under the members ruling, —— it should be granted subject to the normal Conditions imposed in ~~the~~ Clause 17 of rule 28

8) Secondly as regards the mining lease for manganese over the area of the Prospecting license No 606/577 the Company have preferred returned their request & they have claim the leases over four different Forests

Yes

Yes

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Except Block C in part of the New Blocks would be possible only if Govt are prepared to grant Concessions as large as and is much in excess of what the Company is entitled to under the Rules

9) As under the Concessions ~~to~~ the Rules re manganese prospecting licenses ~~do not~~ no right to mining leases will be conceded it appears undesirable to depart from the rules & give Concessions to the Company Although the Govt has tried to make out a case for doing so—

This would be a new principle

A mining lease over block C2 under the Rules may perhaps be granted as it conforms to rules—

10) Thirdly the Company want permission to work on the blocks until the lease is granted, permission to remove the ore won over the area for specified within 6 months & to a declaration of their right to the ores removed lying at railhead Govt Govt Engineer recommends these

This view would be in keeping with

11) The Govt has the power under Rule 18—

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to extend the period up to the term of three of a mining lease — His Recommendations in this respect may be sanctioned

SNR 10/4

Rev Secy/

12) What is the file relating to

1) the rates of rules?

What is the present royalty for

2) Chrome and manganese

3) if under Consideration to revise the rates

Yes SNR 10/4

Resolved

13) 1) Govt 20-23 re revision of rule has been resolved separately

2) Royalty on

a) Chrome — Rs 1-8-0 per ton

b) ~~Mag~~ Manganese-1-4-0 "

3) There is no question under the consideration of Govt at present re the revision of rates of royalty on minerals

14/4/24 14) Please submit SNR 19/4

15) Proposal

Rev Secy) 16) The Return has been fully noted for the Govt's orders

SNR 19/4

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17) The papers relating to correspondence ending with Govt letter dt 4th Jan 24 regarding the demarcation of the [illegible] may be put up

24/1/24

24.1.24

Geol. 4-23
Sls. 1-7 & 11.

18) Submit with reference as ordered by the Member

25/1/24

25.1.24

Rev. Secy

Member

711
26.4.24

26/1/24

26.1.24

19) The mining cases having been appeared for before the Enquiry & the prospecting licenses which have been issued ~~& before~~ & the leases ~~leases~~ recommended in them were made by application & an Order & Patta & leases accordance with the terms of the licenses

20) According a mining lease for an area of 95 acres ~~&~~ comprised in Block covered by prospecting licence no S-5/S-76 and a mining lease for

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marginal note on letter for 42 acres ~~from~~ of block C (as ~~shown~~ indicated by the sketch submitted by the Dist.) on the area covered by Temple known as 6.06/5-17 as indicated.

21) The A Draft note (as sent by the Dist.) may be put up a/w

28/4

Draft noted.

22) Please submit

23) Submitted with a revised draft letter as personally instructed by the Asstt Secy

24) Draft for issue

5/5-

Rev Secy

25) 11 May

127 6.5.24

26) Draft copy

27) Demi-official forwarded as before issue

28) Whether the lease of the reservation Nos Pro leases are in force Instruct Collr. stating not included in mining leases Govt. Pro.

DE... 'S OFFICE, 17. MAY 1924 8369

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22 MAY 1924
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
BRANCH.

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Revd. 6/8/23

29) Ans for the reduction in the appt to
Messrs Barclay Bowden & Co. for new
leave in respect of some block for
which they have a prior claim for
Chrome (and in which 9 December
have asked this may be leased) may
be put off as well for ~~some~~ purposes

30) If asked how not already done
they may be referred to advances made
for ~~the~~ + rec^d ~~under~~

dr
21)

Rec^d with compliments

Ans / d
31) Immediate
16/5/24

37) File subd 33) Orders have not
yet
22/5/24
22/5/24
22.5.24
553
26.5
Rec. Secy
11 Members
JMM
26/5

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34) This may be submitted again on the end of this month

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SMD 2/6

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35) Reference to Paras 26 to 34.
Resubd for orders
SMD 5/9/24

SMD 5/9/24

Rev Secy)
11 May

SMD 15/9

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15.9

36) Note regarding the Dewan's query in his minute dt 20/5/24

37) The prospecting licences referred to in my minute dt 29/4/24 were issued under the Rules & agreements were renewed from time to time & Jan' 23 According to these Rules the licences are Endorsed to a mining lease subject to certain restrictions regarding the area The applications having applied for the lease before the Expiry of the prospecting licence cannot be legally Entitled to get the lease we cannot refuse it It is in the view to protect the interest of Govt to those to whom the prospecting licences were granted in my minute above

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RECD. ON 17. SEP. 1924
Reg. No. 2272

If the Dewan State wants in Legal opinion the case be further Examined it may be referred to the Secretary for orders in the matter

Dewan 16/9

16/9 Secy 16/9

Dewan

36) Needless to say

4/9/24

Lt of Secy

37) Rule 28 of the Rules for the grant of explori prospecting and Mining licenses lays down that the holder of a Prospecting License is entitled to select a block of land not exceeding one eigth part of the area ~~specified~~ specified in the license, for mining purpose and to obtain a mining lease of the block so selected in respect of any mineral in accordance with the rules contained herein.

38) Under Rule 17 the rules in force on the date of his application for a mining lease apply.

41) In the present case when the assignee of a Prospecting License applied for the grant of a Mining Lease, on 6th March 1923, rules then in force were those issued on 12th May 1920 and these rules apply The mineral in question had been reserved throughout the State by an order dated 29th January 1923. Under rule 37 of the Rules the Director has power to inform the applicant that the area is reserved and to decli.

cons 17 V Pros Power

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to submit the application for sanction of Governme

42) Hence the effect of reservation is that thoug the holder of a Prospecting License is ordinarily entitled to the grant of a Mining license he will deprived of that right by the operation of rules 1 and 37 of the Rules if before his application there has been a reservation of that mineral by Governmen

C 43-24 Law

Revised with Compts 11 M.

125 4.10

43) The d a d Sec's comments have upon ... having been received by Govt before the application for mining lease was made in his case the app may be rejected under Rule 37 of the Rules for the grant of Explos & prospecting licenses & mining leases Rule provides that the D [illegible] in submit to Govt every application for mining lease unless his area requires has already been [illegible] or Mineral reserved in which case he will inform his application that it is in a portion area but in which State has been reserved in respect of certain minerals under the S.O. 7 Govt 23. I do not know whether this is the kind of reservation contemplated in Rule quoted above however I the Deputy Comm. think his views

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RECD. 01 6. OCT 1924
Reg. No 2784

[illegible] accepted a copy
with the Secretary Bankey Bazar Co in
accordance [illegible]

Dewan with copy
& his minute of 22/9/24

4/10/24

4/10 SMR 5/10

(a) Perusal of finding
the manager applicant
the Chroma on Sunday
Even has the decided
Abovy pending applications
may be disposed with
reservations in
Tabular statements of
the Receiver-Gen dy

6/10

A D/R

Under Secy

SMR 7/10

198/7.10

2nd member
45)
are [illegible] any applications outstanding
for manganese? If so, a list of such
applications may be put up in a
tabular form as required by the Dewan

13-10

SMR 13/10

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6 From the Dir. of Geology
No. 400 of 18.9.24

Requests early orders on the proposals subd. in his letter no. 1589 of 21.3.24 in connection with the Oakley Dunnis applications for mining Leases for Chrome & manganese over the areas selected covered by P.L. nos 605 & 606

45(a) The previous references on the subject to have been referred to the L & L. Secy. for opinion

45(b) Orders

SM 26/9/24

SM 27/9

Rev Secy

45-(c) Resubd

(1) the file refd. to above was sent to L & L. Secy on 23-9-24

(2) The Pro Branch will be asked on the point

SM 30/9/24

45-(d) It may be kindly intimated whether the file referred to above can be expected back

SM 30/9

45(e) L & L Secy

PA Please put up the file

SM

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(* vide pages 11-13-notes paras 3 & 45-7)

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Serial No. 16/ Draft put up.
dg. 16/10/24

To

The Director of Geology
No. 2E 2728 of 1924

Request that he will forward as early as possible a list of applications that have been received for P.L.s & mining leases for manganese with full details

from the Dir of Geol
No. 5-3 of dt 21.10.24
forwards the statement called for in Sl.(7) above

Refce: Paras 44 & 45 (P.13)

45/ Filed under ref as:
dg.
30/10/24

46/ A tabular statement put up as directed (P.W.D./...)

47/ It will be seen that no mining lease is under any application for a mining lease that is mining under this now (Genl File No 48 of 1923)

57/ As to the mining lease wanted by Mr Manickavelu Mudaliar he has been informed that he would first get a mining lease only for about extent

Sec B.F.
31/10/24

GEN. & REV. Br
25 OCT 192
DUSTRIES & COMMERCE
BRANCH.

Genl. to P.W.D

Please put up this file in which we sanctioned a mining lease to Mr. Mudaliar
sm

Genl. 22-2245-8
Containing information required

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he was entitled to grazing in Reserve Fly 8.
V/s 1/4 sq mile & not over any
larger extent as desired by him -
He asked for a renewal/extension of
this order, but his request
was again rejected —
According to the opinion now
expressed by the Govt of the Secy,
even the lease promised with
Rev Secy's letter of 2.2.24 (Fly 5)
cannot be granted — no lease
has so far been granted to
M Mody

SNR 5/11

Rev Secy 5/11 P.U. Bring Fly

SNR 6/11

3) The Stc - Fly Q - shows the applications
now pending
As regards applications for Fly licences
under the new rules, they are
to be made to the Dy Comm
by 15th Nov Fly and a inspection of the
end of the month Fly
Dy Comm 5/11 Mr Mody has
with his letter 8/11/24
rejected 11.11.24

SNR 10/11

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55) Ref ee Para 54.
Resulted matter rel to Letters file (Rel 40-23 linked)
MD
10/11/24

SMR
11/11

Per Secy)

56) Final orders have been passed in connection with the file as resulted to this re grant of a P.L. over the Jamalpur block to rel to Letters & no orders have been passed in the case of grant of P.L. to messrs Oakley Duncan etc

57) Resulted for orders
MD
10/12/25

Per Secy

58) Put up

MD
10/12
11/12

MD
11/12

59) Information on the following points may be noted in respect of the case

Reply being awaited

(Name with designation of officer from whom reply is awaited)

Date of receipt for which reply being awaited was called for

Date on which it is proposed for moving letter

MD
12/12

2046
12/12

(+) Separated & sub-d with Genl (Left) Letter re grant 10/12/25

(×) Separated & sub-d with Genl (Left) 10/12/25

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6e) Reference to Members minute (Para 59 on p. 16)

1. Prospecting licenses for the two blocks were originally granted on 30.9.16 and 16.12.16, and renewed by one Year till 30.9.18 & 16.12.18 the transfer of these licenses in the name of Messrs Oakley Duncan & Co. (from Mr. J. Burn) was approved by Govt in July 1920 and fresh licenses were issued on 8.3.22 (i.c. from 8.3.22 to 8.3.23) and the Dir renewed the licenses for one Year till 8.3.24

2 on 6.3.1923 they applied for a mining lease

61) For orders

26-2-25

62) To Order

Rev Secy

28/2

63) The mining leases having been applied for by the Licensees in Exercise of their terms of prospecting licenses & there has already been minute from the Licensees and Engineers regarding leases and their mining leases regarding area in which case is in case this then can no other Tenders can be considered

64) This may be submitted to Govt with reference to my letter No. 10 dated 6/10/24

Dewan 7/4/25 Secy 10/4/25

GENERAL OFFICE. 21. APR. 1925. 7868

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DEWAN'S OFFICE. REGD. ON 3. APR. 1925 Reg. No 7388

Submitted to the Govt & returned by D. as per his order

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66) Draft order (4 copies) may be put up for approval

Sd 24/4

67) Keep the draft already approved by the Member issue

68) Orders. The file may be brought up to-day

24 27/4/25 — 67) Issue 4/5

70) Issued draft returned

24 4/5/25 — 71) Draft & appl Rec'd 8/5

72) C. w. w. 2 encls. 13/5

5/5 22/5 Issued 73) Draft to Govt 21/5

74) Sd 75) Issued 22/5 25/5

Sd 24/5

Sec'y

To 8/8

The Board of Govt

N.W.F. & B. & Sd 2615

Sanction to grant to Messrs Oakley Bureau & Co of Mussoorie for Telegraph & Telephone purposes leases in respect of the areas covered by P.L. Nos 605/576 & 606/577

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REV. SECRETARIAT JUN 1925 INDUSTRIES & CO. BRANCH

No. 15-89/Genl.9

29981 Dated, Bangalore, 21 mar 1924

REGY NO 4016

FINL. & REV. SECTT. 24

SECRETARIAT 19 DEC 1922 MAR 1924 Section. File No. INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE BRANCH. Genl 48-23-3

From

A. M. SEN, Esq., M.Sc., F.G.S., Etc.,
Offg. Director, Mysore Geological Department.

To

K. V. Anantaraman, Esquire, B.A.
Offg.Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

Adverting to the correspondence ending with your letter No.I.C. 4078/Geol.4-23-11, dated 4th January 1924, re. Prospecting Licenses Nos.605/576 and 606/577 for Chrome and Manganese over the marginally noted blocks, I have the honour to submit herewith for the orders of Government copies of applications for Mining Leases received from the license holders Messrs. Oakley Duncan & Co.,Ltd., over selected areas shown on the accompanying plans.

2 With regard to the Chrome block the area selected for a lease is as shown in red in the accompanying sketch. It is noted that it is in conformity with the rules and lies within the boundaries of the Prospecting License No.605. It is 75 acres in extent. Under Clause 17 of the license the applicants are entitled to $\frac{1}{6}$ of a square mile or 80 acres and the block selected is therefore quite in accordance with the rules I beg to recommend therefore that Government may be pleased to accord their sanction to the grant of a Mining Lease over the block as applied for, particularly so as the reserve in respect of chrome has since been rescinded In granting the lease for chrome orders are requested as to whetner it should be subjected to the special conditions imposed in the recent order No.I.C.5146-57 Geol 73-23-1, dated 26th February 1924. I however beg to submit that since the ~~leases are~~ licenses being held by the Company long before the issue of this recent order withdrawing the reservation the mining lease if granted by Government should be issued under the exisiting ordinary rules, without the speci

conditions

conditions imposed in the recent order.

3. With regard to the manganese block the applicants have not been definite in asking for a selected area, a number of alternatives being suggested. Primarily the applicants would like to have

(i) the entire block shown shaded pink and marked A in the sketch.

Failing that, (ii) they require to be granted <u>two Mining Leases</u> one over the area marked B known as Sur. Nos. 3 & 8 and another over the area marked D known as No.57.

Failing that again, (iii) 2 leases one over Sur.No.8 (C) and another over Sur.No.57 (D).

Lastly, (iv) as a final alternative they request to be granted lease over the area marked C known as Sur.No.8.

4. Before going into the question of the above blocks conforming to the rules &c., I beg to invite the attention of Government to the fact that under Clause 17 of the license the applicants are entitled to <u>a mining lease</u> over a block <u>not exceeding ½ a mile by ½ a mile</u>, or ¼ square mile in extent. But the applicants have made the request as above being emboldened so to do under the Note to Schedule B of our rules copied in the margin for ready reference The relaxation of the limits of the dimensions of the block &c. is proposed in virtue of special circumstances arising out of the distribution of the manganese deposits in the locality prospected. In the Sketch submitted the deposits and workings are all shown and it will be seen that they extend lengthwise from N.W. to S.E. with only a small width of 1½ furlongs. It is for that reason therefore that application has been made alternatively for selected blocks in the order of their preference The workings are centred in three distinct localities - Sur. Nos.3, 8 & 57 and the middle one is prized most as that has been the common factor in all the areas applied for alternatively. The long shaded block besides including the three survey numbers above mentioned includes also much barren (from a Miner's view) ground connecting Sur. Nos.8 and 57 The extent has consequently increased but there is this advantage that the whole thing forms one compact block The alternatives are prayed for in case Government should not be disposed to go

NOTE.—The foregoing limits are published for guidance of the public and to define the maximum dimensions of a mining block claimable by a licensee under the terms of his Prospecting License. Applicants are not debarred from proposing relaxation of these limits in virtue of special circumstances arising out of the shape or distribution of mineral deposits or on account of adjacent occupied or reserved areas but the acceptance of such proposals will remain at the absolute discretion of Government.

beyond the rules and the terms of the license. So as to conform to the rules as far as possible, the applicants have splitted the blocks and would have two of them under separate leases. Finally if this also should not be granted they would have a lease over Sur.No.8 alone.

5. I shall now give hereunder full particulars regarding the extent, shape &c. of each of the blocks applied for .-

(1) Block A.- Shaded pink.

This comprises all the deposits and workings. This special area is slightly over 1½ miles in length and about ¼ mile in width, the total area being therefore ⅜ square mile. The dimensions of the block are not in conformity with the rules and they could not be for reasons stated in para 4 above. Both to the North and South the block extends outside the area held under the Prospecting License.

(2) Block B comprising Sur.Nos.3 and 8. The dimensions of this area 5½ furlongs by ~~1 5/8~~ 1 3/8 furlongs and the extent is 75 acres. It is not in conformity with the rules. This is required in addition to Block D below.

(3) Block C. This comprises Sur.No.8 and its dimensions are 3 furlongs x 1⅜ furlongs, the extent being 42 acres. This block is prayed for conjointly with Block D below or independently as a last resource.

(4) Block D. This comprises Sur,No.57. The dimensions of this area are 2¾ furlongs x 2¼ furlongs and its extent is about 64 acres. This is required conjointly with Block C. It extends beyond the Prospecting License area.

6. I reventlv inspected the area and the facts narrated by the applicants regarding the deposits and the workings are quite true. Considering that Messrs. Oakley Duncan & Co.,have spent large sums of money in developing the property, I beg to recommend that Government may be pleased to sanction as a special

case the grant to them of the long strip of land comprising all the deposits, although the shape and dimensions of the block do not conform to the rules. The grant of an area much in excess of what the Company is entitled to under the terms of the license is also a concession which the Government should be pleased to sanction. This is however a very peculiar case where the Company have located the manganese deposits in three different places within the prospecting license area all of which can not be included in one Mining Lease under the existing rules They are prepared to take two mining leases if the Government are willing to sanction them over the Blocks B & D or C & D. In case however the Goverhment is not disposed to sanction any thing beyond what the licensees are entitled to under the license, I beg that sanction may be accorded to the grant of a lease over block C (Sur.No.8).

7 In their letters, dated 9th March and 1st/5th March 1924, Messrs. Oakley Duncan & Co., pray (i) for permission to continue working on the blocks until the leases are actually granted; (ii) for permission to remove within 6 months the stock of the ore won on the area prospected and (iii) for a declaration of their right to the ores removed from the block and lying at rail-head (Amritapur Station) paying royalty thereon within 6 months on the estimated quantity to be adjusted later on by railway weights when railed. These prayers are quite reasonable and under Rule 18 of the Rules as amended in Notification No.6221, dated 23rd June 1922, the period of the licenses may be extended until the grant of 60 leases. The licenses Nos.605 and 606 terminated on the 8th instant and the applicants being entitled to the leases applied for it stands to reason that they should be permitted to continue mining operations on the blocks as heretofore. Although the rule empowers me to extend the term of the licenses I solicit the very early orders of Government in this case to do so The 2nd and 3rd requests above mentioned may also be granted and orders of Government are solicited

(3)

8. Copies of the marginally noted letters from Messrs. Oakley Duncan & Co. relating to their applications for the leases are forwarded herewith for the information and orders of Government.

1. Letter, dated 20.2.24. 0.568.
" " 27.2.24 0.639 } re.the Mn. block.
" " 7.3.24 }
" " 9.3.24 }
" " 1/5.3.24 0.684 re.the Cr. block.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Offg.Director,
Mysore Geological Department

C.N.

Letter No.O.568, dated 20th February 1924, from Messrs.Oakley Duncan & Co.,Ltd., Bangalore, to the Offg.Director, Mysore Geological Department.

With reference to Prospecting License No.606 and the application for a Mining Lease which is pending, the issue of which has been delayed owing to the area we have applied for not being in accordance with the Government rules for granting a Mining Lease, we have the honour to enclose herewith a plan of the working and beg to state, there are three main deposits that we have located the first one on the tank bund in Survey No.57; but there is very little indication, going to North until we reach Survey No.8 and then, so far as indicated, a small deposit;the third deposit which we have developed is in Survey No.3 of the village of Amlapur. None of these deposits at present indicate any great depth, with the exception of No.3. The deposit under Survey No.57 is a very powdery ore, but unfortunately it is impregnated with over 1% iron which renders it useless for the higher market of peroxide manganese and it is only saleable for the purpose of ferro-manganese in an objectionable form. As we have already advised,we purpose making arrangements to concentrate this ore by lavigation and Wiffley tables and brecqutting. The ore is fairly high in grade and it is now found at a depth that requires a considerable amount of expenditure. With regard to Survey No.8 we are still dealing with float ore and have not yet located the ore body. The occurrence is very definite and the grade is running 42%. When we come to Survey No.3, we have a very definite ore body but unfortunately running 33/35%. It is very hard and at present the ore is practically unsaleable. We were however driving down a shaft in the hope that the present deposit which might be classified as Manganiferous ore may change to a higher grade of manganese. Hardly any of these deposits are of sufficient value to work separately. Collectively, however, they might be converted into a paying proposition. According to Schedule B, as far as we

can see, it will be only possible for us to take out a Mining Lease for Survey No.57, alternatively Survey No.8, again alternatively over Survey No.5. We beg to enquire whether Government would be prepared to consider the question to grant us a Mining Lease over an area of the shape indicated in brown upon the enclosed sketch. Such a special deviation, as you are doubtless aware, is not without precedent. If the Government hesitate to grant us a Mining Lease over this area, we beg to enquire whether they could see fit to reconsider their decision and grant us a renewal of the Prospecting License over such portion of the area as we cannot take out a Mining Lease over. In other words, would they grant us a Mining Lease over such portion as we select and to which we are entitled under Schedule B, and for the balance area, grant us a renewal of the Prospecting License. One of our reasons for asking this consideration is that we are putting into a District, where the crops have been none too good, money by way of wages and cart-hire at the rate of several thousands of rupees per mensem which is going into the villager's pockets in cart-hire and labour and cannot but help to mitigate the existing difficulties that surround the agriculturist. We may mention that so far, although we have been experimenting since 1916 on this area, we have failed to recoup even a small portion of our expenditure. Had the iron not been present in the ore at Sivaganga property, it might have been worth instead of approximately Rs.25 at port some ten times that figure.

We trust you will pardon a digression on our part, but when the writer was mining for Wolfram in Burma, a somewhat similar set of conditions arose there and they were very fully investigated by the Financial Commissioner who holds for Burma the equivalent of the mining portfolio. I enclose the Financial Commissioner's minute in this connection but I think it may be summed up briefly in para 4, that where doubtful or inefficient prospecting was obvious, the mining lease should be limited to half a square mile. But, however, where efficient prospecting had been shown to be carried out, the are given under mining lease would be determined by the extent of prospecting and the location of the mineral in so far as has been

possible

possible to determine from the work already done. Our case is that we have worked the whole of this area and three distinct deposits, viz., in Survey Nos. 57, 8 3, have been located. We have now at rail-head some 1000 tons of ore awaiting sale and shipment.

We have the honour to request that you would be good enough to forward our request to the Government with your views thereon.

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Offg. Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

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Letter No.O.639, dated 27th February 1924, from Messrs. Oakley, Duncan & Co.,Ltd., Bangalore, to the Offg.Director, Mysore Geological Department.

With reference to your letter No.1919 of the 29th of September of the 17th of January, No.1134, and ours of the 20th instant No.568, and with particular reference to our interview of the 26th instant, when it was pointed out that it would be necessary to abandon one or two of the deposits which we have prospected and opened up, and that our operations would thus be curtailed to a proposition, which would hardly pay for the cost of supervision, if Government cannot see their way to sanction an area which will include these three deposits, we beg to enquire whether as a special case, in the matter of License No.606, they would reconsider their decision and permit as a very special case, to continue the work on this prospecting license until 25th of May 1924, the actual date of renewal being 25th of May 1923. Our reason for this special request is that we require a little more time to decide which of the three areas we should abandon. Might we be permitted to suggest that the old arrangement of the renewal of the Prospecting Licenses from year to year as was the procedure hereto, in view of the sporadic nature of the deposit, was more suited for this class of mining, than that of restricted area which the present rules allow for. I submit that under the present conditions the Revenue to the State and the scope of operations is greatly curtailed and is to no one's benefit.

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Offg.Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

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Letter, dated 7th Marhh 1924, from Messrs. Oakley, Duncan & Co., Ltd., Bangalore, to the Offg. Director, Mysore Geological Department.

With reference to our letter of 20th February 1924, I have the honour to enclose a plan of the area held under License No.606 if the Government are unable to grant our request of 20th ultimo. I beg to enquire whether it would be possible to grant us two mining leases one over the area marked 3 & 8 Survey and another over the area marked in blue known as 57. Failing that, over 8 and Survey No.57. Failing any of the above alternatives we would request that you would be good enough to grant us mining lease over the area Survey No.8 marked in blue and red.

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Offg. Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

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Letter No.O.765 dated 9th March 1924, from Messrs. Oakley, Duncan Co., Ltd., Bangalore to the Offg. Director, Mysore Geological Department.

With reference to License No.606, and your recent visit to the area, and in connection with which we have applied for a Mining Lease, we shall be glad if you would grant us permission, in accordance with the rules issued in connection with mining leases, to continue working on the area over which we have applied for a Mining Lease until the Mining lease is sanctioned.

With reference to the stock on the area, if you would give us permission to sort and stack the ore won from the date of expiry of the prospecting license on such other portions of the area as we have applied for a Mining Lease together with permission to remove thesame within a reasonable period - we would ask that 6 months' time be granted us to do the needful in this connection we should be glad.

With regard to the ore stacked at rail-head and which has been removed from the blocks we should be glad of a declaration from the Government that they recognise our right to this ore, and what procedure we shall adopt with regard to the payment of royalty, as it maybe some time before we remove the same to port. We would suggest that the quantity be assessed by taking temporarily 17-18 cubic feet to the ton, and that we may pay the royalty within six months on that basis, any excess or short-fall being paid on railway weights being ascertained.

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Offg. Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

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Letter No.O.684, dated 1st/5th March 1924, from Messrs.Oakley Duncan & Co.,Ltd.,Bangalore, to the Offg.Director, Mysore Geological Department.

With reference to our previous communication on the subject of License No.605 for Sunkadahalli, we have the honour to forward herewith the plan of the area for which we desire a Mining Lease - marked in blue. We should be glad if you will accept this as our final decision as to the area and would furthermore than you if you would in accordance with the rules grant us permission to continue working until the grant of a Mining Lease.

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Offg. Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

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FORM No. 5.

APPLICATION FOR A MINING LEASE.

DATED THE 6th DAY OF March 1923

To

THE DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY,

BANGALORE.

SIR,

I have the honor to apply for the grant of a mining lease to..... J. Burr or Nominee * .....

under the rules contained in Notification No. G. 25838—Geol. 57-18-20, dated 12th May 1920 over the block of land containing.....acres marked on the enclosed extract from the Topographical Survey Map of Mysore. Sunkadhalli, Afrahar & Kurubarhalli
Village maps of the Revenue Survey.

The block applied for comprises lands belonging to the villages, the names of which with the taluk and district to which each belongs, are set out in Schedule A hereto.

Kuz Treasury Rct. No. 4791/3/23

I enclose receipt from the... .....Bangalore.....Treasury for Rs. 100, the fee required in respect of this application.

The minerals in respect of which the lease is applied for are stated in Schedule B hereto.

* The present holders of the license are Messrs Oakley Duncan and Co.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
P.P. J. Burr
Lt Col C.B. Oakley

Name and address of applicant.
— (Write legibly)

SCHEDULE A.

Village.* Afrahar, Kurubarhalli Sunkadhalli Taluk. Arsikere District. Hassan

*State after the name of village, if whole or part only.

SCHEDULE B.

Minerals in respect of which the application is made. Chromite

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A.M. Lees
Offg. Director,
Mysore Geol. Dept.
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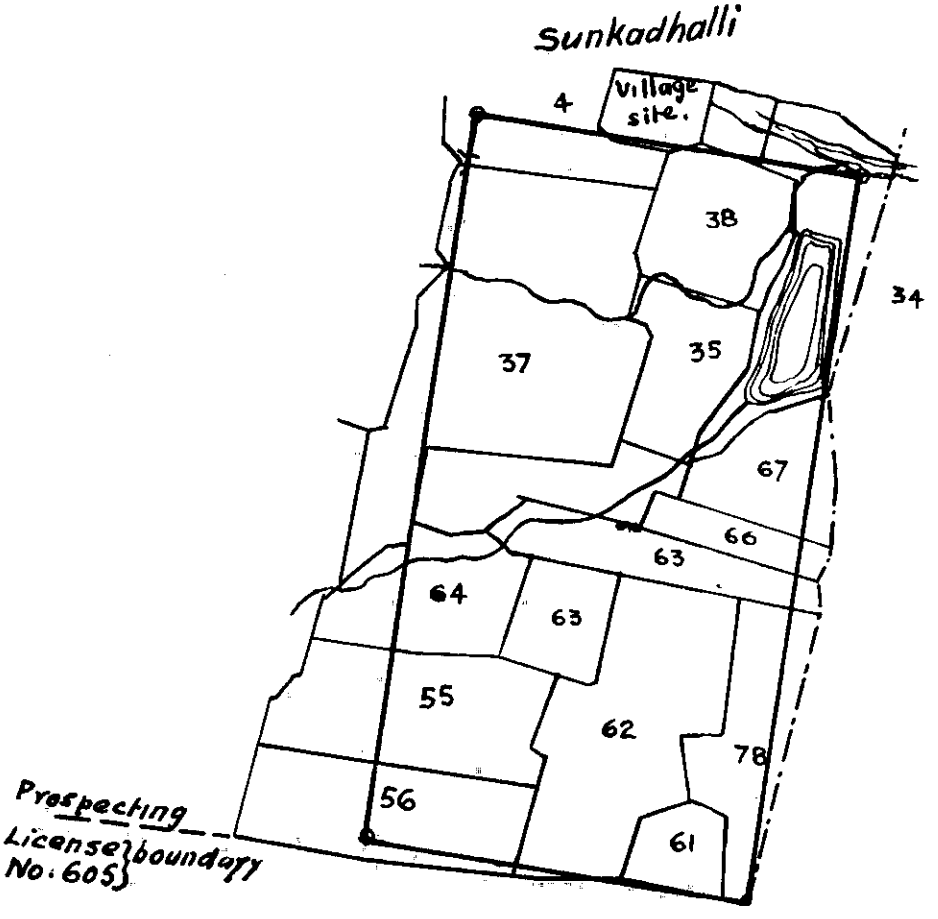
Plan of Block applied for by
Messrs Oakley Duncan & Co
For mining purposes

The block is outlined in red



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A. M. Lees
Offg. Director
Mysore Geol. Dept.

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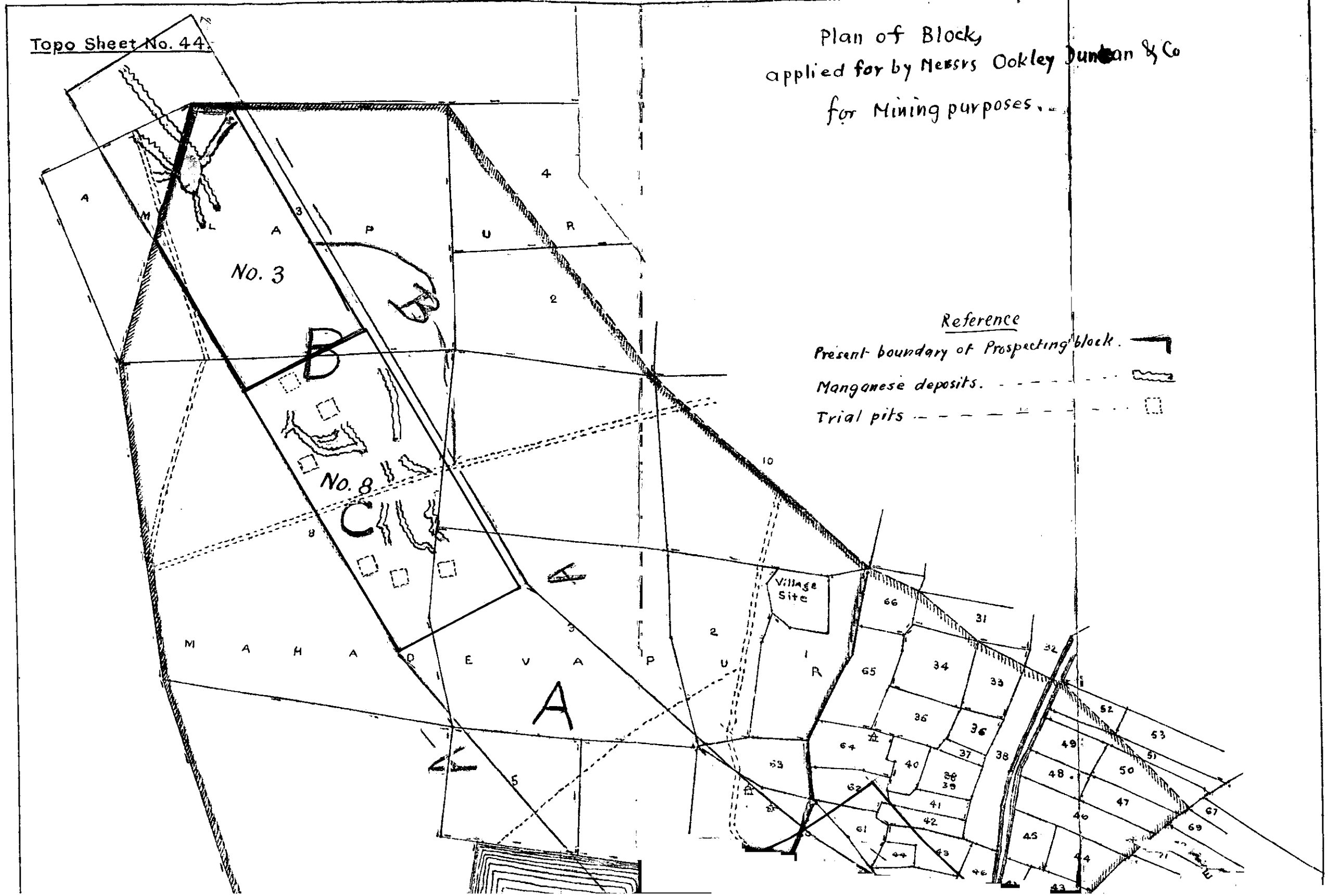
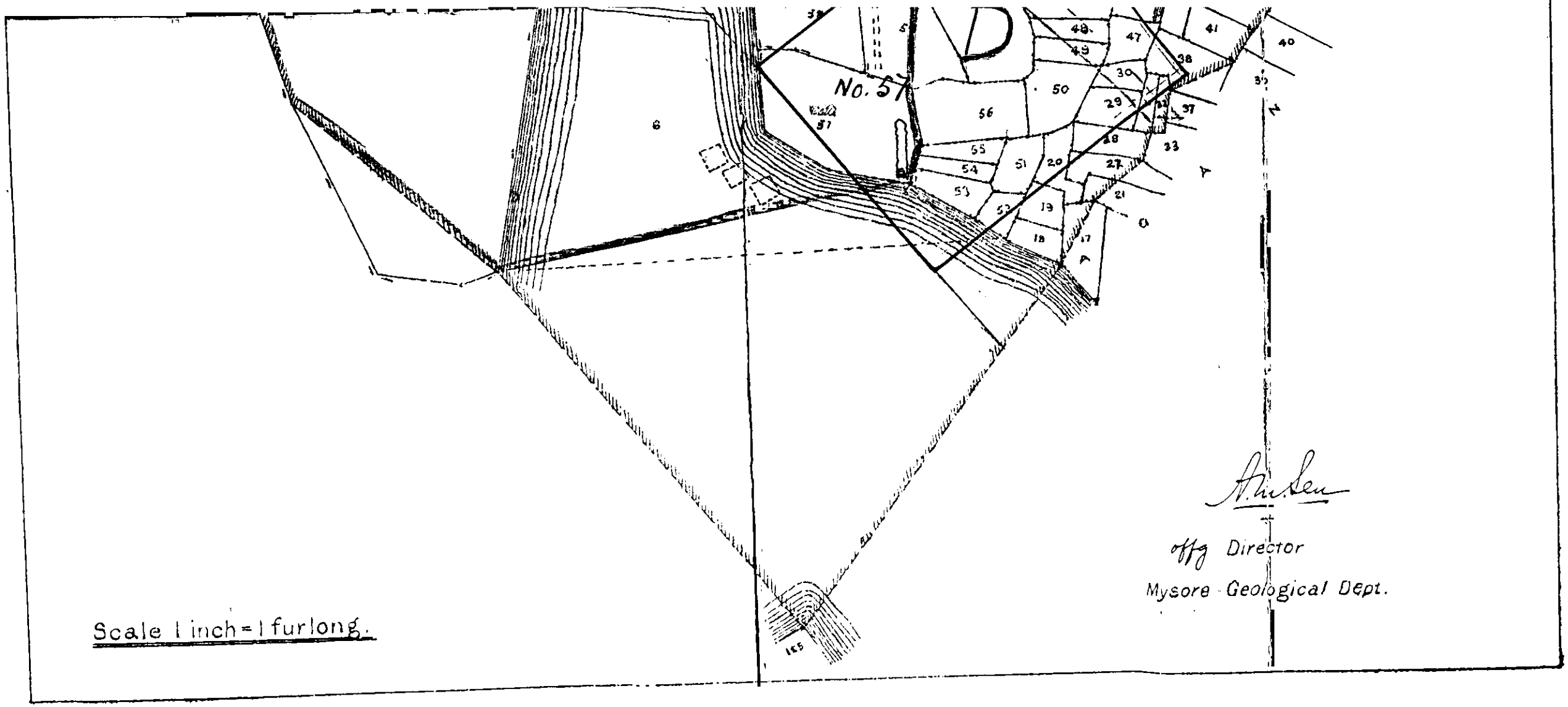
Plan of Block, applied for by Messrs Ookley Duncan & Co for Mining purposes.





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Mysore Geological Dept.

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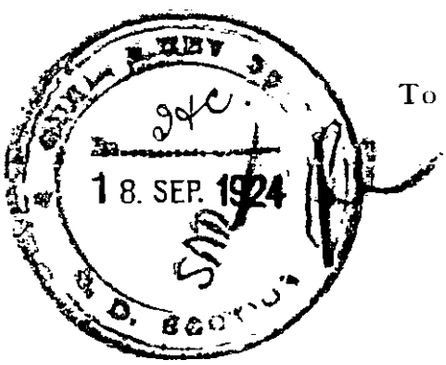
No. 4-00 Genl:1 Dated, Bangalore, 18th Sept 1924

From

B. JAYA RAM, ESQUIRE, F.G.S.,
Director, Mysore Geological Department.



To

K. V. Anantaraman, Esquire, B.A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

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I have the honour to invite your attention to this office letter No.1589, dated 21st March 1924, submitting applications for Mining Leases from Messrs. Oakley Duncan & Co., Ltd., over areas selected from within the boundaries of prospecting blocks Nos. 605 and 606 for chrome and manganese respectively, and to request the favour of early orders thereon. In the meanwhile the applicants in their letter of 1st September 1924 (copy submitted herewith) request that under rule 18 of the Rules as amended they may be permitted to continue working over the whole license area (No.606 for manganese) until the issue of a mining lease. At present they have been permitted to carry on work only in Sur.No.8 of the block which as a last resource the Company desire to secure a license over. (Vide para 5(3) of letter of 21st March above referred to and para 6 containing the recommendations of this office) I do not think it justifiable that the company should be permitted to work over the whole of the area; but if approved, they may be permitted to carry on work over other selected portions of the block suggested as alternatives, until a mining lease is sanctioned. The favour

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of early orders on the recommendations made in this office letter of 21st March are therefore solicited.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B Foote Mallet

Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

C.N.

Letter, dated 1st September 1924, from Messrs. Oakley Duncan & Co.,Ltd.,Bangalore, to the Director, Mysore Geological Department.

With reference to the previous correspondence on the subject of License 606. You will recall that you granted us permission to work on this area in accordance with Rule No.18 of the Prospecting Rules, on the 25th March 1924 under your No.1585. You however restricted our working to Survey No.8. We have the honour to enquire if you will permit us to continue working over the whole License area until the issue of a mining lease.

Thanking you in anticipation.

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B. Fayaz Ali

Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

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SUBJECT

Diary No. of letter replied to

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Section Genl.
File No. 48-23
Serial No. 7
No. 1. C2728

Date of issue 17/10/24.

To the Dir. of Genl

Signed by [illegible]

Sir,

I am directed to request you to kindly forward a list of persons to whom applications have been received for prospecting licenses & mining leases for manganese in the State / with full details in each case. It is understood that you have 800 applications for disposal.

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Dated Bangalore, 21st October 1924.

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FROM

B. JAYARAM, ESQUIRE, F.G.S.,
Director, Mysore Geological Department.

GEN. & FY. DEPT.
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SECTION

To

K. V. Anantaraman Esq., B.A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department, BANGALORE.

SIR,

In compliance with your letter No.I.C.2728/Geol.48-23, dated 17th October 1924, I am sending herewith a list of applications received for prospecting licenses and mining leases for Manganese in the State and pending disposal with necessary details.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B. Jayaram

Director,
Mysore Geological Department.

P.V.N/21

List of applications received for P.L's or M.L's for Manganese and pending disposal.

Serial No.	Name of applicant	P.L. or M.L.	Date of Application.	Extent and situation of block.	Remarks.
I.	Messrs. Oakley Duncan & Co	M.L.	6-3-'23.	A selected area in Holalkere Tk.	Subtd. to the Sectt. with No I589 dated 2I-3-'24.
2.	Mr. V Manickavelu Mdr.	M.L.	I6-4-'23.	Hulikatte Block, in Davangere & Jagalur Tks. 1/4 Sq. mile.	Sanctioned in I.C. 4608/Geol.32-22-8 dated 2-2-'24 endin No I.C.2225/Geol.78 23-7, dated 25-9-'24
3.	United Steel Cos	P.L.	24-9-23.	I Sq mile in Kumsi Tk mostly comprised in P.L.589.	Subtd. to the Sectt with No 760 dated I3-II-'23.
4.	- Do -	-Do-	- Do -	- Do - Renewal of P.L.590.	- Do -
	- Do -	-Do-	- Do -	1 Sq. miles in Dibbahalli & Shimoga Taluks. Renewal of P.L.591.	- Do -
	Pen. Mins. Co. of Mysore	M.L.	I2-9-'24.	Dodkittadahalli Hosdurga Tk. 80 acres.	
	- Do -	-Do-	- Do -	Kenkere Block. do-80 acres	
	- Do -	-Do-	- Do -	Solid hill Block. 80 acres Chiknaikanhalli Tk.	
	- Do -	-Do-	-D o-	Dodguni Block. 120 acres. Gubbi Tk.	
	- Do -	-Do-	- Do -	Camp Mine Block. 80 acres Tiptur Tk.	

Where pending.	Refree	Director's recommendation
In the Sectt.	1) Geol. 48-2-3 (Pendency of final orders). (5)	Under Consideration in the Govt. Dir. of Geol. recommd
Pending in the Dept. the receipt of sketch of selected area as entitled to and payment of deposit.	2) Geol. 7-8-23-7 (Plague-Hl)	Govt. have applied Director of Geology to submit sketch of the ground applied for by Mr. Plague-Hl for P.L.
In the Sectt.	3)	Dir. of Geol. has recommended the renewal of P.L. Has to be considered with the application for renewal of P.L.
- Do -	4) Pending disposal with file re abbreviations for ~~for~~ mining leases	
- Do -	5)	
In the Department awaiting reports from the Dy. Commissioners of Tumkur and Chitaldroog.	Not received	

B. Fagan
DIRECTOR.
Mysore Geological Department

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Section Genl

File No. 48-23

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No. I.C. 8038

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To The Dir. of Genl.

Date of issue 26/5/25

Signed by M.V.V Ayr.

Sir

With reference to correspondence ending with Genl letter No. 400 dt 18.9.24 I am directed to convey Secretary of Govt to the grant to Messrs Barkley Brancroft of mining leases as per details noted in the margin and in accordance with the terms of the licenses over the blocks covered by Prospecting

over

(x) P.L. No 605/676 — 75 acres — Renewal in respect of which the lease is to be executed

606/677 — 42 " Manganese

List of enclosures

(Blocks C mfd. to in the sketch sent with the letter dt 21.3.24 from the Dir. of Genl)

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licences vide 605 to 606 (and not under the special conditions laid down in G.O. No. 2G. 5746-5) &
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